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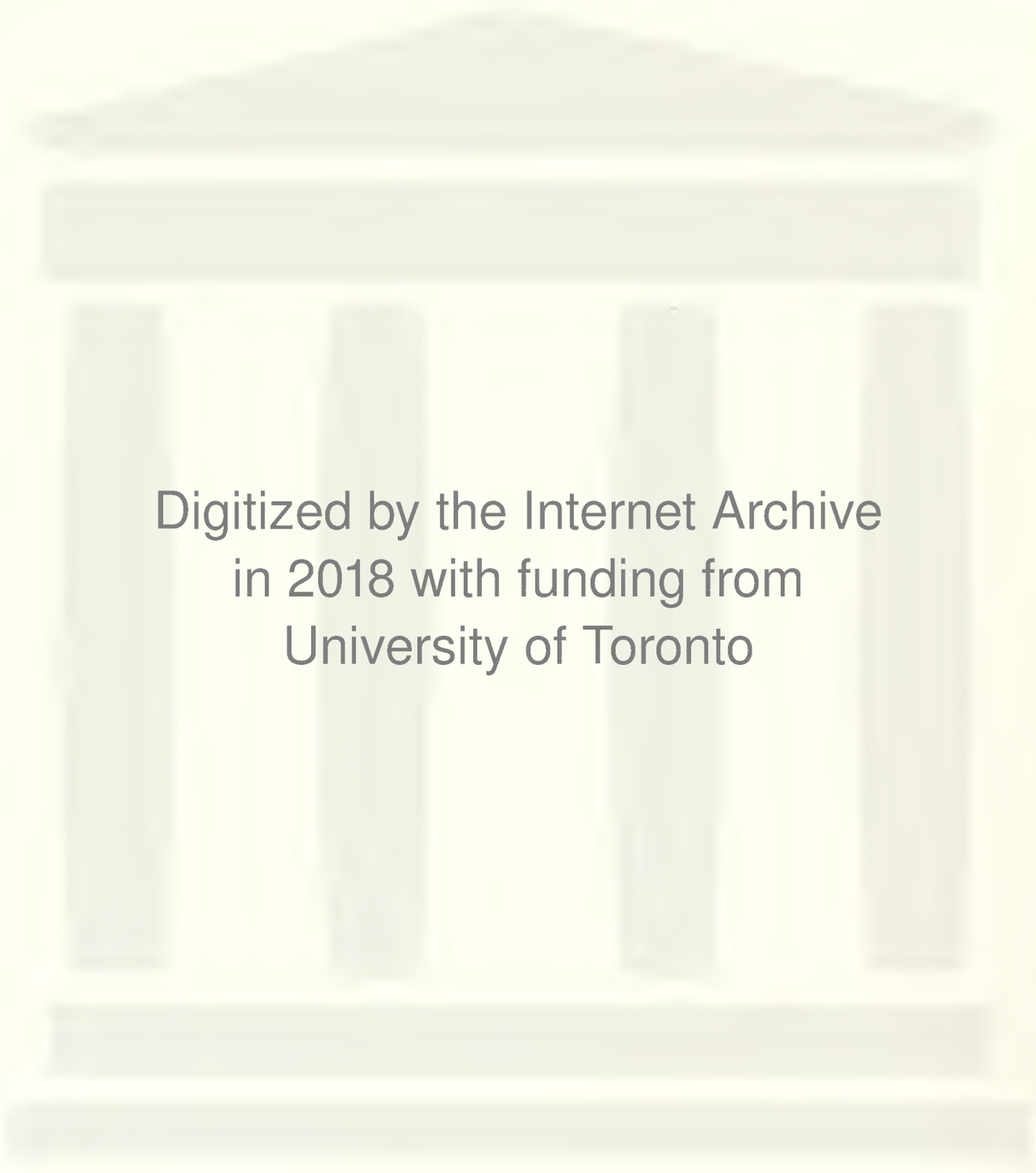
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Deutsche, "Men in Space"

Watts, "Mapping Meaning, Denoting Difference, Imagining Identity: Dialectical Images and Postmodern Geographies"

Rouse, "Men in Space"

Rouse, "Mexican Migration and the Social Space of Postmodernism,"

Watts, "Capitalisms, Crisis, and Cultures" (optional).

Background:

Harvey, "The Passage from Modernity to Postmodernity" 3-118. [Book is on reserve]

OR

Kester, "Out of Sight is Out of Mind: The Imaginary Space of Postindustrial Culture" SOCIAL TEXT (1993) 72-92

AND

Lazarus, "Doubting the New World Order: Marxism, Realism and the Claims of Postmodern Social Theory" DIFFERENCES 3(3) (1991): 94-115.

THE SPATIAL TRANSFORMATION OF CITIES

Week 5: February 12, 1997

Sorkin, Michael "Introduction" and Crawford, Margaret "The World in a Mall"

Zukin, Sharon "The Urban Landscape"

Zukin, Sharon "Learning from Disney World"

Ruddick, Susan "Constructing Difference in Public Spaces"

Background:

Tadiar, "Manila's New Metropolitan Form" in Rafael, ed., DISCREPANT HISTORIES: TRANSLOCAL ESSAYS ON FILIPINO CULTURES (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1995) 285-307

AND

Caldera, Theresa "Fortified Enclaves: The New Urban Segregation," 8 PUBLIC CULTURE (1996) 303-328.

February 19, 1997 -- READING WEEK

URBAN SPATIAL TRANSFORMATIONS II
CASE STUDY: LOS ANGELES

Week 7: February 26, 1997

Davis, "Chinatown Part Two? The 'Internationalization' of Downtown Los Angeles"

Davis, Michael "Fortress Los Angeles: The Militarization of Urban Space"

Davis, CITY OF QUARTZ 223-28

Davis, "Urban Control: Ecology of Fear"

Background:

Mike Davis, CITY OF QUARTZ (London: Verso Books, 1990) 134-136, 153-213.

INFORMAL ECONOMIES

Week 8: March 5, 1997

Castells and Portes, "Dynamics and Effects of the Informal Economy"

Sassen, "The Informal Economy"

Offe and Heinze, "Introduction" and "Canada's Local Employment and Trading System"

Benton, "Beyond Legal Pluralism: Towards a New Approach to Law in the Informal Sector"

Background:

Coombe, "The Cultural Life of Things: Anthropological Approaches to Law and Society in Conditions of Globalization" AMERICAN UNIVERSITY JNL. OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND POLICY 10 (1995) 799-831

AND

Castells and Portes, "Policy Implications" in THE INFORMAL ECONOMY (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins, 1989) 298-310.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Week 9: March 12, 1997

Del Olmo, "The Geopolitics of Narcotrafficking"

Honderich, "Cocaine Capitalism"

AND

Bourgeois, IN SEARCH OF RESPECT: SELLING CRACK IN EL BARRIO

OR

Maher, "Women on the Edge of Crime"

Background:

Waterson, STREET ADDICTS IN THE POLITICAL ECONOMY (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1993) 1-71.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE II

Week 10: March 19, 1997

Nestor Rodriguez "The Real 'New World Order'"

Davis, "The Hammer and the Rock"

Sklar, "Locking Up Surplus Labor"

Simon, "Out of Time: Modern Punishment and the Ebbing of Industrial Time"

Lovell, "Seizing the Moment: Power, Contingency and Temporality in Street Life"

Background:

Simon, Jonathon "The Pathological Tangle of Crime and Joblessness," "The Consequences for Parole Supervision of Hardening Urban Poverty," "Surveillance in No-Man's Land," "New Technologies of Control," "Penal Postmodernism," in POOR DISCIPLINE: PAROLE AND THE SUPERVISION OF THE UNDERCLASS, 1890-1990 (University of Chicago Press, 1993)

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HOMELESSNESS

Week 11: March 26, 1997

Davis, "A Logic Like Hell's: Being Homeless in Los Angeles"

Gounis, "Temporality and the Domestication of Homelessness"

Wagner, CHECKERBOARD SQUARE: CULTURE AND RESISTANCE IN A HOMELESS COMMUNITY

Ruddick, "Heterotopologies of the Homeless"

Background:

Harloe, Marcuse and Smith, "Housing for People, Housing for Profit" in DIVIDED CITIES: NEW YORK AND LONDON IN THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD (Basil Blackwell, 1992) 175-202.

AND

Harloe and Fainstein, "Conclusion" in DIVIDED CITIES: NEW YORK AND LONDON IN THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD (Basil Blackwell, 1992) 236-48.

or

Ruddick, HOMELESS IN HOLLYWOOD (New York: Routledge, 1995) 33-50, 163-201

GLOBALIZATION, GENDER, AND MIGRATION ISSUES

Date: Rescheduled class; date to be agreed upon

Vickers, WOMEN AND THE WORLD ECONOMIC CRISIS (1993) (excerpts)

Nelson, "Multinational Free Lunch"

Enloe, "Domestic Servants in World Politics"

England and Stiell, "They Think You're as Stupid as Your English Is"

Mail Order Brides (Newspaper Articles)

"Our Man in Manilla"

Background:

Mitter, COMMON FATE, COMMON GROUND: WOMEN IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY (1986) (excerpts)

OR

Chant and Mc Ilwaine, WOMEN OF A LESSER COST: WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE PHILIPINES (1995) (excerpts)

TRANSNATIONAL POLITICS?

Week 12: April 2, 1997

Holston and Appadurai, "Cities and Citizenship"

Sassen, "Whose City Is It? Globalization and the Formation of New Claims,"

Fernandez-Kelly, "Underclass and Immigrant Women as Economic Actors: Rethinking Citizenship in a Changing Global Economy"

Brecher and Costello, GLOBAL VILLAGE OR GLOBAL PILLAGE

Smith, M. P. "The Disappearance of World Cities and the Globalization of Local Politics"

Background:

Kaplan and Grewal, SCATTERED HEGEMONIES: TRANSNATIONAL FEMINIST ALLIANCES (University of Minnesota Press, 1994) 1-28

Sklar, Holly "Economics for Everyone" in CHAOS OR COMMUNITY (1995) 161-177.